

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: MASS MO CD  
SUBJECT: MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO CHAD

REF: (A) STATE 183292, (B) NDJAMENA 2678, (C) RABAT 3996 (NOTAL)

1. OUR CONTINUING SOUNDINGS INDICATE THAT, AS REPORTED REFTEL (B), GOM HAS NOT YET RESPONDED TO CHADIAN REQUEST FOR TRANSFER OF US-ORIGIN EQUIPMENT TO CHAD. MOST AUTHORITATIVE EXPRESSION OF MOROCCAN THINKING ON CHAD PROBLEM WE HAVE HAD REMAINS JULY 22 COMMENT BY FONMIN LARAKI (REFTEL C) TO EFFECT THAT POLITICAL NOT MILITARY SOLUTION IS THE ONLY ANSWER AND THAT MOROCCAN ABILITY TO BE OF MATERIAL ASSISTANCE LIKELY TO BE VERY LIMITED BECAUSE OF NEED TO MEET ALGERIAN AND POLISARIO PRESSURES ON  
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MAURITANIA. WE ASSUME THAT QUESTION OF HOW TO RESPOND TO CHADIAN REQUEST STILL UNDER CONSIDERATION ON HIGHEST LEVELS OF GOM.

2. IN ORDER TO ASCERTAIN GOM INTENTIONS AT THIS STAGE, WE WOULD PROBABLY HAVE TO RAISE MATTER WITH KING'S CLOSEST POLITICAL AND SECURITY ADVISERS, IF NOT WITH KING HIMSELF.

SUCH A DEMARCHE WOULD IMMEDIATELY RAISE QUESTION ON THEIR PART  
AS TO WHETHER USG IS PRESSING GOM TO RESPOND TO CHADIAN  
REQUEST. "IF-ASKED" GUIDANCE CONTAINED PARA 7 REFTL (A)  
WILL NOT BE ADEQUATE TO SATISFY GOM ON THIS POINT. WE THEREFORE  
REQUEST FURTHER GUIDANCE FROM DEPARTMENT ON (A) WHETHER  
URGENCY OF DEPARTMENT'S NEED FOR INFORMATION ON STATUS OF  
MOROCCAN RESPONSE WARRANTS DEMARCHE ON HIGHEST LEVELS HERE  
AND (B) IF SO, HOW WE SHOULD REPLY TO INEVITABLE QUERY ABOUT  
HOW USG WOULD LIKE GOM TO RESPOND TO CHADIAN REQUEST.  
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